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Sir:

Pursuant to the telephone conference between the Examiner and applicants' attorney, John Chionchio, of even date, as requested by the Examiner, enclosed are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, dated March 2, 2005, two

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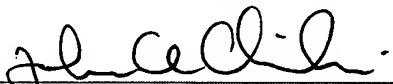
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pages of Form PTO-1449 and two references cited. Also enclosed is a copy of the acknowledgment postcard stamped by the Patent Office as receiving the Information Disclosure Statement along with two references.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner review the enclosed references and initial and return a copy of Form PTO-1449 for the record of the undersigned acknowledging consideration thereof, and ensure that the enclosed references appear on the cover sheet of the issued patent.

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